



Activity Report February / March 2004

IGIC Web Pages and INGISI Calendar

IGIC Web Pages will be updated to include bios and narrative statement on the Council. The web calendar been updated to reflect regular IGIC, INGISI and Committee meetings for 2004 and the 2005 conference.

NSGIC Midyear Meeting

Held in Reston, VA. LOTS of updates from federal programs. An excellent summary is available from GIS Monitor in the NSGIS (April 1st) Edition <http://www.gismonitor.com>.

IndianaMap

IDEM has been working cooperatively with AccessIndiana on a demonstration web site. A server is on order for IGS – framework open web map services will be developed and hosted on that server in support of the IndianaMap.

USGS National Map Cooperative Topographic Mapping Partner Fund

An initial abstract has been submitted for the USGS grant opportunity. The full proposal is due April 30th.

ODP HLS Grant

The ODP Homeland Security Grant allows GIS as an expense in an open grant process for counties. County EMAs must request these funds. A portion of funds is dedicated at the state for GIS, including funding for staff support.

2005 Orthos Planned

The ODP HLS Grant has a dedicated portion for a 2005 multi-resolution orthophotography program. The IGIC Orthophoto Workgroup will be convened to develop specifications for a State QPA. All framework data created with ODP funding will be public domain.

RAMONA

Phase 1 of national project lead by NSGIC has been funded by NOAA. RAMONA will be an on-line “living inventory”. It will be housed and maintained by Geospatial 1-Stop. States will have the ability to put their own “wrapper” on it – this will eventually replace our on-line survey and have the ability to generate basic metadata.

EOC Set-up

A library of GIS data is compiled (and being added to) for emergency management. New plotters and printers are beginning to come in the SEMA Emergency Operations Center. GIS workstations are en route.

Presentation Made to the State Technology Committee

Phil Worrall, Larry Stout, and Jill Saligoe-Simmel presented information on the IndianaMap that included an overview, interoperable technology, and local government perspective.

Standards Committee

A working draft of a File Naming Convention and Parcel Core-Plus standard have been completed and will be submitted to IGIC for review (anticipate submitting for approval at June IGIC mtg).

Utilities Committee

A presentation was made to the IURC on using GIS to modernize their electric service territory boundaries. Another presentation was made on the state activities and the IndianaMap. IURC held a broader meeting with their other utility groups to see if it makes sense to use GIS across their organization.

NASA Grant

The NASA Grant has been submitted and approved for the Johnson Co. field drain tile remote sensing study. The grant opportunity for acquiring RS data is due April 30. Initial dialog has taken place with IndianaView (Purdue).

Emergency Operations

GIS was deployed in the state EOC during a multi-state earthquake exercise executed by the First Army.

Metadata

The Northwest GIS Forum and Indiana Geological Survey will begin working on a free, on-line metadata generation tool based on the Indiana Metadata Profile.

2004 FGDC CAP Grant Status (IGS, Hamilton Co., Innovative Mapping)

The project for OpenGIS Web Map Service (WMS 1.1.1) Interoperability to support The IndianaMap and Homeland Security (eMapsIN) is currently entering the testing phase. The Hamilton County, IN GIS staff have finished making some significant enhancements to their Local Government test site (Autodesk MapGuide LiteView WMS server). Lots of new layers are NOW available (the Ortho imagery is undergoing troubleshooting).

Conference Committee

The 2004 conference was a great success! The conference committee has selected a new location for 2005 – the Indianapolis Union Station Crown Plaza. As part of our role in the conference, IGIC Board Members will be assigned to moderate sessions.

USGS Eastern Region Geography Grant Opportunity

USGS Eastern Region Geography (ERG) has initially recommended funding for the IGIC Local Government Committee for \$8,000 to work on data sharing agreements and the issue of gaining more open access to local data for the IndianaMap and The National Map.

Summary of Legislative Session

SB 160 died along with several other bills this session. A Resolution passed to establish a summer study committee regarding sustainable funding options for government GIS.